

Honorary degrees, suggestions

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To the President of the  
Toronto University,  
Toronto,  
Canada.

April 27th, 1915. 191

Dear Sir,

Acting on behalf of, and requested by a large circle of friends and admirers of the Rev, Henry D. Clement, M.A. (Ord), G. & L.T.S.C., L.M.S. V.C.M (London), &c, the esteemed Pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church of this town for over eighteen years, and an eminent Musician in every department of the faculty; to write you in quest of the conditions under which your renowned University grants the degree of M.A. Doc, ad honoris tantum; As we feel the revered gentleman deserves for several valid reasons to be decorated, and elevated to an University Doctorate in Music.

I shall be exceedingly grateful for a reply to this effect, thanking you most cordially in anticipation,

I remain,

Yours very faithfully,

*David J. Howells*

P.S. Any information can be readily supplied and substantiated by most influential and responsible Citizens of our town.

*DJH*



April 1. 1915

Carried

Hon.<sup>ble</sup> <sup>Attac</sup> Charles Stuart. Sup. Sec. of Alberta  
Ch. Justice & the Chancellor of the  
University of Alberta. -

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Oscar Ellis.  
of the Faculty of Science

May 12th, 1915

D. J. Howells, Esq.,

Clase Road,

Worriston, Wales.

Dear Sir:

The University of Toronto has granted very few degrees of Doctor of Music, *honoris causa*, and I am sure that it would be useless for me to bring forward the name of Rev. H. D. Clement as one to whom the degree should be conferred by our University.

Yours sincerely,

President.



PRESIDENT'S OFFICE



CABLE ADDRESS: "VERA"  
CODE A.B.C. (5TH ED.)

EDMONTON February 19th, 1915.

Personal

President R. A. Falconer,  
University of Toronto,  
Toronto, Ont.

My dear Dr. Falconer:

I was sorry to miss seeing you when in Toronto, but you were out on the grand tour of the United States.

I am writing you to know whether your University would not confer, this Spring, the degree of LL.D. on our Chancellor, Judge Stuart. He has been elected Chancellor for the third time and I propose to bring his name forward for the LL.D. degree at the May Convocation here, unless you take action. I know he would much prefer taking the degree from his own University and would regard it as a very great honour. We would also regard it as such. He has been our Chancellor so long and has served us so faithfully that we have come to regard him as one of ourselves.

I would be glad to get an early reply, as fairly prompt action is necessary to bring the matter to pass this Spring.

Sincerely yours

*[Handwritten signature]*  
President.



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University of Toronto  
March 24<sup>th</sup> 1915

Dr. Falconer

President, Univ. of Toronto

Dear Mr. President

I wish to bring to your attention  
Mr. John King, LL.B., LL.C., as deserving of the Honorary  
Degree of LL.D. The points are:

1. At successive elections to the Senate he has  
been regularly returned as a member for 33 years,  
and is the only one who can claim such a  
distinction.

2. He has been a Lecturer at the Law School  
for 23 years, on Criminal Law, Evidence, Construction  
of Statutes, Canadian Const. Hist.

3. His recent work "The Law, Craft, & Forensic" is a  
valuable contribution to University history, and is  
much appreciated by our old graduates.

4. He has published two legal works, - "King's  
Law of Defamation" and "Law of Libel & Slander in  
Canada". These are the leading works on the subject  
in Canada.





5. He drafted the Libel Law of Ontario, and the several sections of the Criminal Code (Libel) of the Dominion.

6. His services on our Board of Legal Studies have been valuable.

7. The lawyers throughout the Province, trained by him, would appreciate the conferring of the Degree, as would also the many Arts graduates who at successive elections have elected him.

His sight is going rapidly, and it is not too much to say that it has been sacrificed in the cause of education, - Law School work and writing of books.

Sincerely yours

Alfred H. Munn



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THE SUPREME COURT OF ONTARIO  
HIGH COURT DIVISION.  
(Sir William Mulock)



OSGOODE HALL,  
TORONTO.

March 29th, 1915.

My dear Mr. President :

I have a letter from a member of the Senate asking my opinion in regard to its conferring the honorary degree of L.L.D. upon John King, and I have replied expressing the view that he is well deserving of the honour. Apparently the matter is now engaging the attention of yourself and others of the University Senate and I therefore take the liberty of writing you.

Mr. King has devoted many years unselfishly to the interests of the University. Throughout the whole of this period he has enjoyed a large measure of the confidence of the graduates. He has during his Professional career found time to publish valuable works on legal subjects, whilst his last book, that dealing with the careers of "Professors McCaul, Croft and Forneri" strongly appeals to the affection and imagination of the Toronto University Senate.

He is now advanced in years, losing his sight, and it would seem his health, and he may not be long for this world. Perhaps it would be a source of quiet gratification to him now in the evening of his days were he to feel that the University for which he toiled so much appreciates his work.

Yours faithfully,

President Falconer,  
University of Toronto,  
Toronto.



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Toronto, Canada. 31<sup>st</sup> Mar 1915-

My dear President

My only excuse for writing you in regard to John King K.C. is that most of his valuable work for the University was done before you came to Toronto. This work is I think worthy of recognition.

His books on legal subjects are very scholarly & Mr King's lectures have impressed successive generations of students. These & the hundreds of graduates who for nearly a quarter of century have expressed their confidence in Mr King would I feel sure welcome the announcement that his Alma Mater had conferred on him the honorary degree of LL.D. which he certainly deserves.

Yours faithfully  
John Murray Clark



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April 1st, 1915.

President R. A. Falconer, D.Litt.,

The University.

Dear Mr. President,

At a Meeting of the Heads of the Science Departments held this afternoon, it was unanimously decided to recommend to the Honorary Degrees Committee that Professor Andrew Cooper Lawson, Head of the Department of Mineralogy and Geology in the University of California, be given the honorary degree of Doctor of Science in this University at the coming Convocation.

Professor Lawson graduated in Arts in this University in 1883, took the degree of Master of Arts in 1885, and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Johns Hopkins University in 1888. He has been Professor in the University of California since 1890. Before that, for several years, he was a member of the Geological Survey of Canada, and in that position he did work in Geology which makes his name familiar to Geologists the world over.

I understand that Professor Lawson is the Dean of the Faculty of Science in California.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

*A. B. Macallum*